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The Honorable Edward Markey
2108 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Markey:

The Trauma Foundation strongly endorses the Cigarette Fire Safety Act of 2004 (HR 4155).

As the organization that initiated the national campaign for fire safe cigarettes 25 years ago, we thank you for your efforts to save lives and prevent the tremendous pain of burn victims. This bipartisan legislation will help set reasonable ignition standards for cigarettes and prevent hundreds of deaths and thousands of injuries each year. HR 4155 is also a great tribute to the late congressman, Joseph Moakley, who introduced the first fire safe cigarette bill in 1979.

The Trauma Foundation appreciates your commitment to the safety of our country's citizens.

Sincerely,

Andrew McGuire
Executive Director